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TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS IN ARUNACHAL PRADESH
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) the details of telephone connections provided in the rural areas of Arunachal Pradesh during the last three years, district-wise;

(b) whether the Government has set an target to provide telephone connections in Arunachal Pradesh;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the details of steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) District-wise details of telephone connections provided in the rural areas of Arunachal Pradesh during the last three years is given in the Annexure.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has planned to provide 5,000 Direct Exchange Lines (DELs) and 588 Village Public Telephones (VPTs) during the year 2005-06 in Arunachal Pradesh.

(d) The details of development programme to be carried out by BSNL in Arunachal Pradesh are as under:-

(i) Two telephone exchanges are planned for 2005-06 along with upgradation and expansion of the existing exchanges by conversion to remote Switching Units (RSUs) and Access Node Rural Automatic Exchange (ANRAX). It is planned to cover rest of the villages by VPTs on Satellite/Wireless in Local Loop (WLL)/Land line (LL).

(ii) At present, 8 WLL BTSs (Base Transmitting Stations) are commissioned and 35 WLL BTSs are under plan in 2005-06. 27 Global Switching Module (GSM) Mobile BTSs are commissioned and 28 additional GSM Mobile BTS are planned for 2005-06.

(iii) In order to improve telephone services in Arunachal Pradesh, 26 numbers of 2Mb IDR (Intermediate Data Rate), 8 Mb IDR and 761 Kms. of Optical Fibre Cable (OFC) are planned for 2005-06.

ANNEXURE

DISTRICT-WISE DETAILS OF TELEPHONE CONNECTIONS PROVIDED IN THE RURAL AREAS OF ARUNACHAL PRADESH DURING THE LAST THREE YEARS

Sl. No.	Name of District	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05
1	Anjoao (Hayuliang)	25	2	30
2	Changlang	133	400	238
3	East Kameng (Seppa)	309	189	150
4	East Siang	170	160	20
5	Kurug Kumey (Koloriang)	50	97	41
6	Lohit	300	93	26
7	Lower Dibang (Roing)	180	58	35
8	Lower Subansiri (Ziro)	198	144	137
9	Papumpare	258	119	50
10	Tawang	400	73	183
11	Tirap (Khonsa)	198	40	26

12	Upper Dibang (Anini)	48	132	15
13	Upper Siang	141	356	156
14	Upper Subansiri (Daporijo)	207	227	95
15	West Kameng (Bomdila)	568	333	95
16	West Siang	64	31	20

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